



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 618

LCO No. 2589

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR THE
CRIMINAL PROSECUTION OF OFFENSES INVOLVING THE SEXUAL
ASSAULT OF MINORS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 54-193a of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 54-193, no person may be
4 prosecuted for any offense, except a class A felony, involving sexual
5 abuse, sexual exploitation or sexual assault of a minor except within
6 thirty years from the date the victim attains the age of majority or
7 within five years from the date the victim notifies any police officer or
8 state's attorney acting in such police officer's or state's attorney's
9 official capacity of the commission of the offense, whichever is earlier,
10 provided if the prosecution is for a violation of subdivision (1) of
11 subsection (a) of section 53a-71, the victim notified such police officer
12 or state's attorney not later than five years after the commission of the
13 offense. The provisions of this section shall be applicable to any offense
14 committed on or after May 23, 2002, and to any offense committed
15 prior to May 23, 2002, for which the statute of limitations in effect at

16 the time of the commission of the offense had not yet expired as of
17 May 23, 2002.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	54-193a
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Statement of Purpose:

To allow persons who were sexually abused as children to seek the criminal prosecution of the alleged perpetrator in accordance with the extended time period for prosecution enacted in 2002 by making that period applicable to offenses occurring prior to its enactment for which the then existing statute of limitations had not yet expired.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]